

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A non-porous unitary solid surface structure comprising:

a non-porous unitary matrix including:

a thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material; and

a decorative object that is permanently fixated in the matrix, wherein said decorative object extends to least one edge of said matrix.
2. (Previously Presented) The solid surface structure of Claim 1, wherein thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material includes polymethylmethacrylate.
3. and 4. (Withdrawn)
5. (Previously Presented) The solid surface structure of Claim 1, wherein the decorative object includes a dry material selected from the group consisting of textile fabric, paper, plastic film, plastic sheet, metallic wire, rod, mesh, bar, wood veneer, dried natural materials, tree bark, plant leaves, petals, and twigs.
6. (Previously Presented) The solid surface structure of Claim 1, wherein at least one of the outer surfaces of the matrix is embossed or textured.
7. (Previously Presented) A non-porous unitary solid surface structure comprising:

a non-porous unitary matrix, the matrix having at least one edge and including:

a sheet of a first thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material; and

a decorative object overlaying the sheet of the first thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material that is permanently fixated in the matrix, wherein the decorative object extends to least one the edge of the said matrix; and

a sheet of a second thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material overlaying the visible decorative object and fused to the sheet of the first thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material .

8. (Previously Presented) The solid surface structure of Claim 7, wherein the decorative object includes a dry material selected from the group consisting of textile fabric, paper, plastic film, plastic sheet, metallic wire, rod, mesh, bar, wood veneer, dried natural materials, tree bark, plant leaves, petals, and twigs.

9. (Previously Presented) The solid surface structure of Claim 7, wherein at least one of the outer surfaces of the matrix is embossed or textured.

10. (Previously Presented) A non-porous unitary solid surface structure comprising:

a non-porous unitary matrix, the matrix having at least one edge and including:

a sheet of a first thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material; and

a first visible decorative object overlaying the sheet of the first thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material that is permanently fixated in the matrix, wherein the decorative object extends to least one the edge of the matrix;

a sheet of a second thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material overlaying the visible decorative object and fused to the sheet of the first thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material;

a second visible decorative object overlaying the sheet of the first thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material, wherein the decorative object extends to the edge of the matrix; and

a sheet of a third thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material overlaying the visible decorative object and fused to the sheet of the second thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material.

11. (Previously Presented) The solid surface structure of Claim_10, wherein the first and the second visible decorative objects are each made of a dry materials selected from the group consisting of textile fabric, paper, plastic film, plastic sheet, metallic wire, rod, mesh, bar, wood veneer, dried natural materials, tree bark, plant leaves, petals, and twigs.

12. (Previously Presented) The solid surface structure of Claim_10, wherein at least one of the outer surfaces of the matrix is embossed or textured.

13. (Previously Presented) A non-porous unitary solid surface structure comprising:

a non-porous unitary matrix including:

a visible decorative object that is permanently fixated in the matrix, wherein

the decorative object extends to least one edge of the matrix; and

an envelope encompassing the visible object, the envelope including:

a first sheet of a first thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material; and

a second sheet of a second thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material, the second sheet fused to the first sheet such that the decorative object is fixedly sandwiched between the first and second sheets.

14. (Previously Presented) The solid surface structure of Claim 13, wherein the decorative object is made of a dry material selected from the group consisting of textile fabric, paper, plastic film, plastic sheet, metallic wire, rod, mesh, bar, wood veneer, dried natural materials, tree bark, plant leaves, petals, and twigs.

15. (Previously Presented) The solid surface structure of Claim_13, wherein at least one of the outer surfaces of the matrix is embossed or textured.

16. (Previously Presented) A non-porous unitary solid surface structure comprising:

a matrix configured to encapsulate a stratum of a decorative material, the matrix having at least one edge and including:



a flat non-porous unitary matrix made of a first and a second sheet of a thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material; and
the decorative material being permanently fixated in the matrix and co-extensive with the at least one edge of the matrix.

17. (Previously Presented) The solid surface structure of Claim 16, wherein the thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric includes a material selected from the group consisting of polymethylmethacrylate, polyvinyl chloride, and polycarbonate.

18. (Withdrawn)

19. (Previously Presented) The solid surface structure of Claim 16, wherein the decorative material is a textile.

Claims 20 – 39 (Cancelled)

40. (Withdrawn)

41. (Previously Presented) A sink comprised of the solid surface structure of Claim 1.

42. through 46. (Withdrawn)

47. (Original) The sink of Claim 41, wherein the sink is bowl-shaped.

48. (Withdrawn)

49. (Original) The solid surface structure of Claim 7, where the first thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material includes a thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material selected from the group consisting of polymethylmethacrylate, polyvinyl chloride, polycarbonate, and combinations thereof.

50. (Original) The solid surface structure of Claim 7, where the second thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material includes a thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material selected from the group consisting of polymethylmethacrylate, polyvinyl chloride, polycarbonate, and combinations thereof.

51. (Withdrawn)

52. (Original) A sink comprised of the solid surface structure of Claim 7.

53. (Original) The sink of Claim 52, wherein the sink is bowl-shaped.

54. through 59. (Withdrawn)

60. (Original) The solid surface structure of Claim 10, where the first thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material includes a thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material selected from the group consisting of polymethylmethacrylate, polyvinyl chloride, polycarbonate, and combinations thereof.

61. (Original) The solid surface structure of Claim 10, where the second thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material includes a thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material selected from the group consisting of polymethylmethacrylate, polyvinyl chloride, polycarbonate, and combinations thereof.

62. (Original) The solid surface structure of Claim 10, where the third thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material includes a thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material selected from the group consisting of polymethylmethacrylate, polyvinyl chloride, polycarbonate, and combinations thereof.

63. (Withdrawn)

64. (Original) A sink comprised of the solid surface structure of Claim 10.

65. (Original) The sink of Claim 64, wherein the sink is bowl-shaped.

66. (Original) A lavatory comprised of the solid surface structure of Claim 10.

67. (Withdrawn)

72. (Original) The solid surface structure of Claim 13, where the first thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material includes a thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material selected from the group consisting of polymethylmethacrylate, polyvinyl chloride, polycarbonate, and combinations thereof.

73. (Original) The solid surface structure of Claim 13, where the second thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material includes a thermoplastic non-copolyester polymeric material

selected from the group consisting of polymethylmethacrylate, polyvinyl chloride, polycarbonate, and combinations thereof.

74. (Withdrawn)

75. (Original) A sink comprised of the solid surface structure of Claim 13.

76. (Original) The sink of Claim 75, wherein the sink is bowl-shaped.

77. through 83. (Withdrawn)

84. (Original) A sink comprised of the solid surface structure of Claim 16.

85 (Original) The sink of Claim 84, wherein the sink is bowl-shaped.

86. through 91. (Original)